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### Next FNW Meeting:

Monday, February 22nd 7:00 PM

Frisco Police Station 7200 Stonebrook Parkway

#### **Upcoming Events:**

- \* Monday, Jan 15th President's Day
- \* Saturday, Feb 13th Trick-a-Trout Kid Fish 8:00 AM—11:00 AM Frisco Commons Park
- \* Saturday, Feb 13th Chunk Your Junk 8AM— 12 Noon 6612 Walnut Street
- \* Sunday, Feb 14th Valentine's Day
- \* Monday, Feb 22nd FNW Meeting @ 7PM
- \* Saturday, Mar 20th
  Easter Eggstravaganza
  1—4PM Pizza Hut Park

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#### New Alarm Ordinance Effective March 1, 2010



Effective March 1, 2010 annual alarm permit renewals will be \$35. The Frisco Police Department will

also begin enforcing an ordinance to discourage false alarms. In 2009, the Frisco Police Department responded to 9,841 alarms of which 99.6% were false. The response of the police department cost taxpayers over \$1.1 million. The following fines will be applied to excessive burglar alarms occurring in a 12 month period preceding the last false alarm:

- \$50 for more than three but fewer than six false alarms
- \$75 for more than five but fewer than eight false burglar alarms
- \$100 for more than eight false burglar alarms

Response by Frisco police officers to more than two false robbery, fire, panic or emergency alarms in a 12 month period preceding the last false alarm will incur a \$75 fine for each subsequent false alarm. Additionally permit holders are required to supply alarm companies with three names and telephone numbers of contact who are able to respond to a false alarm. Failure to respond to a false alarm within 30 minutes will result in a \$50 fine for the permit holder.

Should you have any questions regarding the new alarm ordinance, contact Sgt. Henderson at ahenderson@friscotexas.gov.



#### February FNW Meeting Topics: SAFER & Frisco CCC

S.A.F.E.R. will be our main topic of the evening. S.A.F.E.R. is an acronym for Situational Awareness For Emergency Responders. Come to the meeting and learn about the technology our police and fire rescue squads possess. S.A.F.E.R. has the ability to provide live camera feeds from schools to squad cars, provide aerial imagery and access various databases. All of this information is critical for first responders. Come see how this system truly makes Frisco safer.

We will also have a representative from the **Frisco CCC**. The Frisco CCC (Frisco Complete Count Committee) was put together by Mayor Maso in 2009 to promote

2010 Census awareness and participation. The Committee is tasked with ways to 'get the word out' about how the importance of the Census to Frisco and how critical it is that we have a count that is as accurate and complete as possible. They will have a short presentation and answer any questions you might have regarding the 2010 Census. They will also have information on hand you can take with you.



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#### Frisco Police Department is CALEA Accredited

In December 2008, the Frisco Police Department gained accreditation from The Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc., (CALEA®). You may wonder what

that means to you as a Frisco resident. Simply put, it means the leadership of the City of Frisco, including Chief Renshaw, seeks to maintain what would be called "best practices" in private industry as they apply to law enforcement.

The Frisco Police Department had to undergo extensive review of personnel,

policies and procedures to ensure the quality and preparedness of the entire organization meets or exceeds the best practices. Additionally, it wasn't

enough for just the police leadership to be interviewed. The public was invited to comment, either complementary or derogatorily, on their experience with the Frisco Police

> Department. The comments were overwhelmingly positive reflective of their professionalism.

To learn more about the extensive process the Frisco Police Department goes through to ensure they meet the best practices, visit www.calea.org.

While much of it may seem mundane and boring, the goal

of the review is to make sure Frisco is safer place by having appropriate emergency response procedures in place long before they are needed.





